

**REMARKS**

The present invention relates to a specific composition, as defined in claim 1, discussed in more detail below.

In the Advisory Action dated July 6, 2007 issued with respect to Applicant's Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 filed June 28, 2007, the Examiner indicated checking Box 7 that the proposed amendments would not be entered and Box 11 that the request for reconsideration had been considered but did not place the application in condition for allowance, and on the continuation sheet the Examiner indicated that Applicant's arguments distinguishing over the curable emulsion of Hasegawa et al failed, in that he claims as written do not require the components A, B, and C as separate polymers or ingredients, and the Examiner indicated that in the claim as written components A, B, and C could be interpreted as the components of a polymeric composition.

In the present Amendment, independent claim 1 has been amended to improve the clarity of the claims, responsive to the Examiner's comments, by reciting that the curable composition in accordance with the present invention comprises "a mixture of" the components (A), (B), and (C).

The amendment of claim 1 is supported, for example, by Synthesis Example 2 (mixing of (A) and (B)) and Examples 1 - 5 (mixing of (C) and the above mixture of (A) and (B)) in the specification.

Accordingly, in view of the amendment of claim 1 herein, it is respectfully submitted that all of claims 1 - 20 now clearly distinguish over the Hasegawa et al reference, and the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §102 and 35 U.S.C. §103, both of which are based Hasegawa et al as the primary reference, should now be withdrawn.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of claims 1 - 20 as they are now pending in this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby earnestly solicited.

If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the local Washington, D.C. telephone number listed below.

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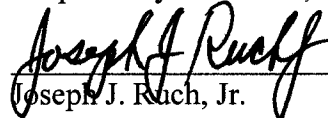
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